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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action mailed on April 7, 2008, in connection with the above-identified U.S. patent application. The three-month period for response expired on July 7, 2008. In light of a Request for a one-month extension of time and fee therefore submitted herewith, response is due August 7, 2008; therefore, this response is timely filed.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.